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Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicant wishes to call the attention of the Examiner to the following references:

U.S. PATENT(S):

<u>Patent No.</u>	<u>Patentee</u>	<u>Date of Issue</u>
4,840,222	Lakin et al.	Jun 20, 1989

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENT(S):

<u>Country</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Date of Publication</u>
EPO	1 022 210	Jul 26, 2000
Germany	197 36 300	Apr 02, 1998
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The references listed above were cited by the European Examiner in the Search Report (copy enclosed) of Applicant's counterpart European patent application no. EP 04 00 2855 (MPEP §2001.06(a)).

An English language abstract is attached to the enclosed copy of DE 101 33 767.

DE 197 36 300 has an English language counterpart, namely U.S. Patent No. 6,031,306.

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Copies of the above-listed foreign references are enclosed, together with a completed form PTO-1449.

Consideration of these references by the Examiner is respectfully requested. To date, a first Office Action on the merits has not been received in connection with this application. This Information Disclosure Statement is therefore believed to be timely filed.

The submission of the listed documents is not intended as an admission that any such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application. Applicant does not waive

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## OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)


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